REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Status of Claims

After entry of the amendments of December 19, 2008 followed by entry of this paper, claims 1, 3, 5-6, 8-17, 23, 28, 30-31, 35-42, and 44-45 are canceled, and claims 2, 4, 7, 18-27, 29, 32-34, 43, and 46-54 are pending. Claims 29 and 33-34 are withdrawn by the Examiner.

Applicants reserve the right to pursue one or more continuations, divisionals, or continuations-in-part to any canceled subject matter.

Support for Amendments

Submitted herewith is an RCE (Request for Continued Examination). Accordingly, Applicants request entry of the amendments submitted December 19, 2008. Applicants rely on the discussion of support for these amendments as submitted on December 19, 2008.

After entry of the amendments submitted December 19, 2008, Applicants request entry of the amendments presented in this paper. In this paper, claim 23 is canceled and claim 26 is amended to remove the phrase "at least a portion of." Support can be found in the specification as originally filed.

No new matter is entered.

Traversal of the Advisory Action of January 16, 2009

Applicants respectfully traverse the Advisory Action of January 16, 2009. However, in order to advance prosecution, Applicants submit herewith an RCE (Request for Continued Examination). Applicants believe the Advisory Action is rendered moot, and respectfully

request consideration of the amendments and arguments submitted on December 19, 2008 in response to the pending rejections.

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing remarks and the remarks submitted December 19, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of this application.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. **50-3732**, Order No. 13566.105008. In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. **50-3732**, Order No. 13566.105008.

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